

6 MAY 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Policy and Plans Group

FROM:

Policy and Plans Group

SUBJECT: Waiver of DCID 1/7 Requirements for
MITRE Corporation

REFERENCE: SECOM-D-092 of 25 April 1983, same Subject

1. The history of the waiver request is documented in Reference and the attachments which reflect previous treatment of the matter at issue. From the CIA standpoint, we have no direct interest in a determination. With the objectivity possible when our equities are not involved, the issue lends itself to dispassionate consideration of the following factors:

° A precedent was set when SECOM granted a waiver to the Institute for Defense Analysis (IDA).

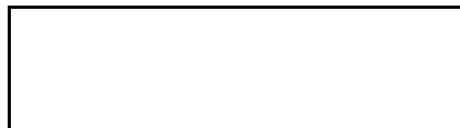
° In the absence of evidence to the contrary, it can be assumed Colonel Mercurio stands by his recommendation that waivers only be considered for government-owned, contractor-operated (GOCO) and not Federal Contract Research Centers (FCRC). This position extends to reconsideration of the waiver granted IDA. It is clear the intent is to reverse the SECOM decision concerning IDA.

° We still do not know if the DIA request concerning MITRE is based on real need - relief from an onerous requirement - or is sought as a convenience.

° Colonel Mercurio is correct in stating the SECOM probably would be asked to grant waivers to other FCRC's. Granting a waiver to MITRE would strengthen the precedent set in the IDA action. In effect, we would be close to granting FCRC's the same status as GOCO's and that clearly is not the intent of the Compartmentation Subcommittee.

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2. The decision of the Computer Subcommittee can be taken as reflective of Community sentiment that DCID 1/7 means what it says; i.e., the only exception to the rule involves GOCO's. As I recall, Win Umbach dealt with the IDA waiver and encountered that exact sentiment within the Agency. It is recommended that the Director of Security non-concur on the grounds the Computer Subcommittee's position is interpreted as a definitive endorsement of the directive's restrictions in the literal sense. It follows that a negative position should be taken on continuation of the waiver granted to IDA.



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